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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CHRISTINA SANDBERG,
INDIVIDUALLY AND AS
ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE
OF RODNEY SANDBERG, KAY
SANDBERG, AN INDIVIDUAL AND
MONE SELF, AN INDIVIDUAL,

Plaintiff,

v.

CITY OF TORRANCE, KEITH
THOMPSON, RYAN GALASSI,
TYRONE GRIBBEN, RONALD
SALARY AND JEREMIAH HART,
individually and as peace officers,

Defendants.

CASE NO. CV08-08335 VBF (SSx)

**AMENDED
JUDGMENT**

On March 16, 2010, a jury was sworn, and a trial commenced in this action. Plaintiffs, Christina Sandberg and Kay Sandberg, were represented by their counsel,

1 Jeffrey O. Le Beau and Robert P. Damone, while the defendants, City of Torrance,
2 Keith Thompson, Ryan Galassi, Tyrone Gribben, Ronald Salary, and Jeremiah Hart,
3 were represented by their counsel, Robert D. Acciani and Della Thompson-Bell.

4 After the plaintiffs' evidence was presented and they were fully heard on the
5 issues, the defendants moved the Court for judgment as a matter of law pursuant to Rule
6 50(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

7 The Court finds, as contained and fully set forth in its separately filed ORDER,
8 that a reasonable jury would not have a legally sufficient evidentiary basis to find in the
9 plaintiffs' favor that any defendant used excessive force on Rodney Sandberg in
10 violation of the Fourth Amendment, and **GRANTS** the defendants' motion for
11 judgment as a matter of law. The Court finds that the defendants are entitled to
12 judgment as a matter of law on all of the plaintiffs' claims for (1) excessive use of
13 force, both deadly and non-deadly, as against defendants Ryan Galassi, Tyrone
14 Gribben, Jeremiah Hart, Ronald Salary and Keith Thompson, under 42 U.S.C. § 1983;
15 (2) supervisory liability for excessive use of force as against defendant Jeremiah Hart,
16 under 42 U.S.C. § 1983; and (3) excessive use of force, both deadly and non-deadly, as
17 against the City of Torrance, under 42 U.S.C. § 1983.

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19 **IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED** that judgment is granted to
20 the defendants, the plaintiffs take nothing, the action be dismissed on the merits, with
21 prejudice, and the defendants shall recover their costs pursuant to a Bill of Costs to be
22 separately filed and served.

23 Dated: March 29, 2010 _____

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27 United States District Judge
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